Rising number of educated unemployed youth

2529. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA:
SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of educated unemployed youths in the country is increasing day-by-day;

(b) if so, whether Government have proposed to introduce any employment policy for providing jobs to the unemployed youth in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) Number of educated and uneducated youth in the age-group of 15-29 job seekers, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, on the live registers of Employment Exchanges in the country as on 31st March for the period 2000,2001, 2002,2003 and 2004 are given below:

Year	Number of youth (age-group—15-29) job seekers-(in Lakhs)
2000	292.19
2001	299.51
2002	291.87
2003	295.07
2004	287.63

(b) and (c) The generation of employment was viewed as a part of the process of development and not in conflict with, or to be pursued independently of economic development. Planning process, therefore, made no attempt to have an independent employment policy.

Upgradation of ITIs

† 2530. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to upgrade one hundred Industrial Training Institutes, per year;

(b) the action taken thereon;

(c) if so, the details of such Institutes upgraded during the years 2004-05 and 2005-06; and

(d) the details of Institutes selected for the year 2005-06?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (c) Union Finance Minister in his budget speech 2004-05 had announced measures for upgradation of 500 ITIs in the country at the rate of 100 ITIs per year. First 100 Government run ITIs were taken up for upgradation during the year 2005-06. Another 100 Govt. ITIs have been identified for upgradation during the year 2006-07.

(d) The list of 100 Govt. ITIs State-wise taken up for upgradation for the year 2005-06 is given in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of 100 Govt. ITIs being upgraded into centres of excellence

Sl. No.	Name of participating State	Number of ITIs taken up during the year 2005-06 with Domestic funding
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	5
2.	Bihar	2
3.	Chattisgarh	4
4.	Delhi	1
5.	Goa	2
6.	Gujarat	8
7.	Haryana	5

1	2	3
8.	Himachal Pradesh	3
9.	Jharkhand	1
10.	Karnataka	6
11.	Kerala	5
12.	Madhya Pradesh	8
13.	Maharashtra	12
14.	Orissa	2
15.	Punjab	8
16.	Rajasthan	5
17.	Tamil Nadu	5
18.	Uttaranchal	3
19.	Uttar Pradesh	10
20.	West Bengal	3
21.	Chandigarh	1
22.	Pondicherry	1
23.	Assam	—
24.	J&K	—
25.	Sikkim	—
	TOTAL	100

Condition of ESI hospitals in the country

2531. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the condition of the Employees State Insurance (ESI) hospitals in the country are far from satisfactory;

(b) if so, the details thereof;